

NWCG CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT ISSUE PAPER #58
MODIFICATION OF COURSE HOURS FOR
CREW BOSS (Single Resource), S-230
March 26, 2004

BACKGROUND

The revision of the NWCG course Crew Boss, S-230, is at the beta test phase in the revision process.

CURRENT STATUS

The suggested delivery time for the current course is 24 hours. During the revision, additional units, lessons, and exercises have been added to the revised course materials to enhance student performance. The introduction unit, which was previously one hour, has been extended to two hours due to the interactive nature of the material. Additional critical material has been added throughout the course including operational leadership, risk management, and entrapment avoidance; these were not part of the previous course. The revised course content requires additional instruction time to ensure that students are adequately prepared to complete the position task book for the position. This is a required course for all the single resource boss positions and contains vital information for this position. The subject matter experts felt the material presentation was rushed during the alpha test course and it is important that the students are allowed time to interact during the exercises as well as during class presentation time.

RECOMMENDATION

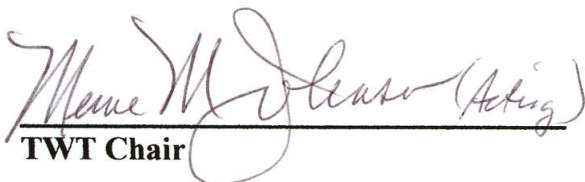
It is the recommendation of the Subject Matter Expert group revising S-230 that the suggested length of the course be increased from 24 hours to 30 hours.

ACTION REQUIRED

Approval from the TWT for the increase in course hours.

APPROVED / DENIED
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SIGNATURE

 5/6/04
TWT Chair Date

cc: Incident Operations Standards Working Team